

BRITISH HAMMERING THIRD LINE OF TRENCHES

Sir John French Tells English Public That Allies, Offensive Really Has Begun--New British And French Armies Well Supplied With Ammunition.

(By the Associated Press.) London, Sept. 29.—The British are hammering the third line of the German trenches in the vicinity of Loos. The French are hammering in the Artois, and have refrained from infantry attacks.

This sums up briefly the western situation today. No great change in the situation is reported but the offensive movement of the allies is not to be relaxed. The short breathing spell has been succeeded by the hardest pressure on German positions at the point shattered by the allies' rush. That it is the intention to maintain this pressure is indicated in a telegram from Sir John French to the lord mayor of London, thanking him for his message of good will. The British commander stated that the message encouraged his troops to push the enemy out of France.

This leads the public to believe there is to be no let up such as followed the battle of Neuve Chapelle, but with new British forces in the field and ample supplies of ammunition, General Joffre and Field Marshal French plan a vigorous campaign. Russia has not been doing so well in the last day or so. The Austrians have stemmed the Russian advance in southern Poland and have taken Lutsk. The Germans have recovered some lost ground.

Over Wide Front.

The battle in Champagne is over a 16-mile front, where the French are attacking and are within less than two miles of the railway which crosses the country behind the German positions and which has been so useful to them in moving troops and supplies to threatened points. With the French guns within easy range the railway is rendered useless.

As usual there is a great divergence between the German and French official accounts of the battles. The Germans claim that all the French attacks have been repulsed and that a number of prisoners have been captured.

It is the same with regard to the crown prince's offensive in the Artois. Whereas this is described by the French as an important action, the Germans say it is a minor one, designed to improve the situation and that the desired result has been achieved.

Still Active in East.

There has been no cessation of the heavy fighting on the Russian front. From Riga down to Galicia the armies are contesting every inch of the ground, and at least four separate battles are in progress. Field Marshal von Hindenburg has resumed his effort to reach Dvinsk, which he has now named his secondary objective. The Germans announce that the Russians have been driven from two successive lines of trenches to the southwest of Dvinsk.

Mackensen Held Close.

Except for Field Marshal von Mackensen, who is held in the Princes' Palace, the German generals' reports advances, even General von Linsingen, whose army was rather roughly handled by the Russians in Volhynia, having with the aid of strong reinforcements, been able to take the initiative in a counter-offensive, according to an unofficial telegram, which secured for her the possession of some Austrian positions.

Bulgaria Warned.

Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, in the house of commons made statements concerning the Balkan situation which should tend to clear the atmosphere. While saying that Bulgaria has assured the powers against her aggression intentions, Sir Edward took occasion to warn that country that any aggression would bring to the assistance of any friend of the allies attacked the whole power of the British empire.

The enthusiasm with which the Greeks are answering the call to a mobilization is considered in London as also being likely to affect the Balkan situation.

BRITISH TRANSPORT IS SUNK BY TURKS

(By the Associated Press.) Berlin, via Sayville, L. I., Sept. 29.—The sinking of a British transport with the loss of all but three members of the crew is reported from Constantinople in a dispatch today.

ATTEMPT TO BURN HOME OF DANIELS' ASSISTANT

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Sept. 29.—An attempt to burn the \$30,000 home of Assistant Secretary of the Navy F. D. Roosevelt, near Hyde Park failed through the prompt discovery of the blaze by a watchman. Handfuls of dry excelsior were found packed beneath the main floor of the building evidently placed there by an incendiary.

BULGARIA READY TO STRIKE SERBIA

(By the Associated Press.) Paris, Sept. 29.—The Athens correspondent of the Havas News Agency says it is now expected that Bulgaria will launch an attack on Serbia within the next fifteen days.

UNDERSTANDING REACHED

(By Associated Press.) Paris, Sept. 29.—"Bulgaria and the central powers have concluded a precise agreement," according to authoritative information, says the Salonica correspondent of the Temps. "Under this agreement Bulgaria will enter the war against Serbia before October 15."

PLAN HOME FOR FAIR NEXT SEASON

The directors of the Catawba County Fair Association met last night in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce and discussed the details of the big event to be held here November 3, 4 and 5. Various directors reported progress, and Secretary Henderson announced that arrangements already had been made for tents and the aeroplane attraction. A committee will go to Salisbury tomorrow to inspect attractions at the Rowan fair, and such as meet the approval of the committee will be invited to come to Hickory for the Catawba event. A great deal of interest has been aroused in the fair in all parts of the county and it is planned to make this the best in the history of the institution. Directors last night discussed the practicability of securing permanent grounds, having them enclosed and putting up suitable buildings before next fall. It was the opinion of President Robinson and others that the association should do this.

GERMANS RECAPTURE SOME LOST POSITIONS

(By Associated Press.) Berlin, via London, Sept. 29.—The capture from the British of parts of the territory near Loos was announced by the German war office today. The French at St. Eloi and Neuville were said to have been partly repulsed.

WORLD'S SERIES TALK

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, Sept. 29.—Details of the world's series will be arranged at a meeting of the national baseball commission in New York city this week, Ben Johnson said today. The dates cannot be set until the races in the two leagues are decided definitely. The meeting will be held Saturday.

LORD MAYOR OF LONDON

(By Associated Press.) London, Sept. 29.—Capt. Charles S. Wakefield was elected lord mayor of London by the council today. Sir Charles will succeed Sir Charles Johnson.

Norway's friendship for England and the fact that she has had less to complain of in the restriction of imports than Sweden, have made her trade question a much less serious one than in her sister country. Her chief grievance against England remains the English censorship of her mail and cablegrams to America and other neutral countries. Norway is still trying to devise a more direct and speedier communication with America.

FOR MOONLIGHT SCHOOLS

Gastonia, Sept. 29.—Gastonia will begin her moonlight school campaign Friday afternoon of this week when the Woman's Betterment Association, at its first meeting for the fall season, will devote the entire program to a study of the situation and to a discussion of what Gastonia can do in this line during the coming year. That there is a large field hereabouts for the moonlight school is not debatable, the field is ready for the harvest and the local people expect to wage an active campaign looking to the eradication of adult illiteracy here this winter.

Supt. J. S. Wray of the city schools and Principals W. D. Orier and B. M. Weir, Mrs. W. C. Barrett, Mrs. Frank L. Wilson, Mrs. Z. B. Harry and Mrs. L. Y. Miller are on the program to discuss various phases of the work. That something tangible will result from this meeting seems assured.

BOOSTERS WILL COOPERATE IN CITY TO SERVICIAN FRONTIER

At a meeting last night of the officers and directors of the Hickory Boosters held over the Globe theatre, a declaration of principles was adopted. Briefly stated the aim and purpose of the "Hickory Boosters" is to "boost Hickory, both at home and abroad, and to co-operate with all persons and organized bodies for the upbuilding of Hickory and the surrounding country, to promote friendly relations and a more cordial spirit among the citizens of Hickory."

It was made clear at the meeting that Boosters are in no sense antagonistic to the Chamber of Commerce, to which most of them belong, and that the Boosters will co-operate with that organization in every way possible. An active campaign has been started for members. The next meeting will be held Friday night.

TRESTLE BURNED

Rocky Mount, Sept. 29.—A trestle was burned on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad near here yesterday, delaying all traffic for a short time. The origin of the fire is unknown.

TICK CATCHES JACKRABBIT IN A TEXAS COUNTY

Fort Worth, Texas, Sept. 29.—Coke county's proud position as the jack-rabbit center of the universe is threatened by the cattle tick. Reports reaching here state that ticks have attacked the rabbits and that the latter are dying in great numbers.

A move will be started in that county, no doubt, for tick eradication. The residents simply can't afford to have the jack rabbit crop decreased. Since there is much complaint from surrounding counties against depredations of jack rabbits on all kinds of crops, it is believed an effort will be made to obtain a supply of Coke county's rabbit ticks for distribution among these less desirable cottontails.

MARKETS

NEW YORK COTTON

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 29.—The cotton market opened at a decline of 16 to 22 points today. Apprehension that the gulf storm would inland caused a great deal of uneasiness, however, and there was an extremely active demand after the call, which was stimulated by the official forecast for rain in the eastern belt and the report that the storm was already interfering with the New Orleans wine service. Prices rallied in consequence.

NEW YORK STOCKS

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 29.—Advices of the investment shares again received scant attention at the outset of today's trading. Baldwin locomotives overshadowed all war shares with the sale of \$,000 at 135 to 140, a maximum gain of 12. American locomotives opened with 1,500 shares at 169, a new advance. Colorado Fuel also became active at an advance.

COTTON FUTURES

New York, Sept. 29.—Cotton futures opened steady and closed steady.

	Open	Close
October	11.90	11.54
December	12.30	11.97
January	12.47	12.18
March	12.72	12.38
May	12.88	12.52

THE WEATHER

Forecast for North Carolina: Local rains tonight and Thursday; moderate east winds.

COMPARATIVE WEATHER

	Sept. 28.—	1915	1914
Maximum	—	77	75
Minimum	—	55	47
Mean	—	66	61

TROOPS RUSHED TO SERVICIAN FRONTIER

(By the Associated Press.) Berlin, via Sayville, L. I., Sept. 29.—British and French troops intended for service for Serbia have been landed at Port Kathryn, near Salonica, Greece according to a report from Athens to the Overseas News Agency today.

AUSTRIANS AND GERMANS

(By the Associated Press.) London, Sept. 29.—Three hundred thousand Austrian and German troops have begun an advance on Serbia, says the Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

DEATH CLAIMS CIRCUIT RIDER

Lenoir, Sept. 29.—Rev. J. F. England, a minister in the Southern Methodist church since 1869, and one of the most remarkable men in that denomination, died here early today in his 75th year. He is survived by his wife and two children, Miss Maude England and Mr. Will England.

Mr. England rode from Marion, N. C., to Cheraw, S. C., on horseback in 1869 to join the Methodist conference and had been active in the ministry until 1906, when he was asked to be transferred to the Confederate army as a member of the Twentieth regiment.

Until a year ago Mr. England was actively engaged in the ministry, but his health had failed gradually since until the end came this morning at 1 o'clock.

It was recalled today that he rode his circuit, a distance of 300 miles, on many an occasion, and had wide experience.

The funeral was held here this afternoon at 3 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, assisted by Rev. C. M. Campbell of Davenport College.

"DRESS UP WEEK" IS LATEST WRINKLE

Winston-Salem is planning a "Dress Up Week," as the following from the Journal of that city shows: "Dress up! If you are a prosperous man you can afford to dress up. It is expected of you. If you are not prosperous, you cannot afford not to dress up. You want to look prosperous. A prosperous appearance makes everybody believe you are prosperous, they will place confidence in you that will enable you to be prosperous. The best way to have a prosperous appearance is to run into new togery, winter togery. You need it now, because fall is only temporarily lingering in the lay-off process. The past two or three days are mild forerunners of the cold weather that is to come.

The merchants of this city have not been stung in their efforts to stock their stores with what the people of this city need in the way of winter raiment. Call at their stores this week and see if they have not provided the clothes that you want. If they haven't it will not take them long to furnish you. But see what they have first.

The merchants have joined that national "Dress Up" movement which means that everybody should get some new clothes for the winter and be sure to let the other fellows see them, just as the women act when they get their Easter bonnets, or their fall hats. The men will join in it this fall. Be sure that you are sufficiently "togged" before you dare show yourself on the streets during "Dress Up" week, which begins October 1, Friday.

ALLIES WILL PAY BIG PRICE TO BUY SUPPLIES

Pay Annual Interest of \$125,000,000 for Privilege of Buying American Supplies at Top Price--But That Isn't All--Nothing Said About War Supplies.

GERMANS LOST 120,000 IN BIG FIGHT

(By the Associated Press.) Paris, Sept. 29.—German casualties in the recent offensive of the British and French are given officially by the French war office today as exceeding three army corps, or more than 120,000 men.

In the Artois region, northwestern France, fighting continues. North of Masiéppe, the war office says, 1,000 Germans surrendered.

MUST LIVE HERE TO ATTEND SCHOOL

City council last night decided that the mere sending of a child whose parents live outside the city limits to reside with a relative within the city during the scholastic year does not constitute residence in the city of Hickory and that therefore such child or children will be liable to tuition dues. It has been customary for a number of parents to avail themselves of the advantages of the Hickory graded schools in this manner, and council thought it best to prevent the practice. This action was taken more on account of the fact that the schools are badly congested than from any desire to secure the tuition.

Council took up another interesting question last night and split the difference on it. In the case of the Gettner estate, of which Messrs. G. H. and C. H. Gettner are trustees, council held that only half the bank stock held in trust for the Misses Gettner should be taxed in the city, the reason for this being that Mr. G. H. Gettner, one of the trustees, lives out of the city.

City Attorney Bagby conferred with the members and the question was discussed from its several angles, but "his solution was thought to be equitable."

The question of street improvements came up again, but no definite action was taken. Council will meet again Friday night at 7:30 to resume consideration of the revised ordinances.

SHE STARVES FOR KISSES

No Hug in Four Years, Wife Sues for Divorce. Portland, Ore., Sept. 29.—Mrs. F. E. Wolfe neither has been kissed by her husband for the last four years nor has he offered to kiss her during that time, she alleges in a divorce complaint filed here against C. S. Wolfe, superintendent of the Clatsop Milling Company of Astoria, Ore. Mrs. Wolfe asserts that they have moved eight times since they were married in Seattle, Dec. 9, 1903, and she is tired of packing.

INTEREST IN ROWAN FAIR

Salisbury, Sept. 29.—Although the weather was threatening today, resulting in a smaller crowd than yesterday at the county fair, there was a good crowd present. The agricultural exhibits are unusually good and the horse-racing is attracting attention. Fireworks are features at night. The fair will close Friday.

Although the sky was overcast this afternoon, there was an absence of rain during the early afternoon. The weather man was promising local showers tonight or tomorrow.

30,000 VETERANS ARE REVIEWED BY WILSON

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 29.—Historic Pennsylvania avenue, on which the union army 150,000 strong, marched 50 years ago for review by President Andrew Johnson, was lined today by thousands who saw the remnants of that army march to the white house for review by President Wilson. The weather was ideal. The grand parade was the crowning event of the annual reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic. Estimates placed the number in the parade at between 20,000 and 30,000. At the head of the procession was Lieut.-Gen. Nelson A. Miles with distinguished navy and army officers.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 29.—Definite steps to float the half billion dollar loan for Great Britain and France were begun today by J. P. Morgan & Company and the interests associated with them in the negotiations with the Anglo-French commission.

It was proposed to include banks and trust companies from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In every group of states there will be a syndicate to operate with them; in the south the syndicate will operate over a large area. In the central west the syndicate will confine their activities to the immediate vicinity.

On behalf of J. P. Morgan it was said today that interest in the project was increasing with every session of the commission. How long it will be before the commissioners sign the agreement which will embody the agreement announced here and in Chicago is not learned, but it was thought the project was well advanced.

The agreement must be ratified by both the British and French parliaments. The details of the loan reveal but few departures from the plans previously outlined. Nothing is said about the purchases of war material. The most surprising feature is that the majority of the big loan is to be sold to underwriters, but the bonds will be placed on the market at 98 to the investor. The two per cent difference will provide a profit to the syndicate and reimburse them for the expense and trouble incidental to the loan.

Because the bonds will be sold under par, Great Britain will have to their credit here not \$500,000,000 but \$480,000,000. In other words the allies are paying \$20,000,000 to buy American products at the topmost prices. In addition to this \$20,000,000 the two countries will pay \$25,000,000 annually for five years, \$125,000,000 altogether in interest to holders of the bonds. This and the settlement of the foreign exchange will have cost the two governments a total of \$145,000,000 when the final bill is settled.

MR. LASHLEY'S INJURIES

The following relative to Mr. Lashley's injury as taken from today's Citizen:

David A. Lashley, proprietor of the Idlewild Floral company, was probably fatally injured yesterday afternoon, when in bending over to supervise the moving of one of the brick columns at the entrance to Dr. P. B. Orr's residence in West Asheville, the column toppled over on his back and crushed him beneath its weight. His injuries include a broken back, left arm and right leg, and he was terribly mangled and bruised from the shoulder down. He sustained many internal injuries.

The accident occurred about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon when Mr. Lashley was engaged in directing a force of workmen, who were endeavoring to move back one of the brick pillars six feet high and two by three feet, which form the entrance to the Orr residence.

HARVARD VARSITY ATHLETE LOSES EYE IN EUROPEAN WAR

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 29.—Aimar Auxias de Turenne, former track star of the University of Washington has returned from the battlefields of Europe to his home in Seattle, bearing honorable discharge papers, a splinter of steel and a patch over the vacant socket of his right eye.

De Turenne, whose father is a Seattle banker, was studying law at Harvard when the war broke out. He enlisted with the Canadian contingent, serving with the fifth battery, Canadian field artillery. During the famous battle of Ypres he acted as dispatch bearer, riding horseback between the lines and serving sometimes as an interpreter.

On April 27, while adjusting his horse's bridle, a German shell burst above his head. He glanced upward to watch it, and a piece of shrapnel struck him in the right eye, tearing its way into his head and lodging in the roof of his mouth.

The discharge papers brought home by de Turenne commend him for his heroism.

FORMER REPUBLICAN OFFICER KILLED

Ipswich, Mass., Sept. 29.—Benjamin Stickney Cable of Washington, assistant secretary of commerce and labor under President Taft, was crushed to death in a collision between two automobiles on the Newburyport turnpike.

TROPICAL STORM AT NEW ORLEANS FIERCE

(By the Associated Press.) Dallas, Texas, Sept. 29.—Wire service between Dallas and New Orleans and intermediate points was stopped today by the tropical storm, according to headquarters of three telegraphic companies. It was reported that the storm had stopped the service in New Orleans, but that to the north communication was open.

LOOK FOR WHISKY'S OWNER

Rocky Mount, Sept. 29.—The police here are holding 45 pints of whisky, left in a suitcase at the depot. The owner cannot be located.